

THE SACRED HEART

WINDOW



AUTUMN 2021

Praying together: At Sacred Heart Seminary and School of Theology we pray that we may continue to allow our hearts to be conformed to the Heart of Christ so that we may be instruments of healing, peace, and salvation. We also pray that those who study and work here or visit our campus will have an experience of God's reign taking root among us and be drawn into its life giving grace. – *Very Rev. Raúl Gómez-Ruiz SDS, Ph.D.*



Focusing our vision

Lilly Endowment Inc.'s Pathways for Tomorrow Initiative

Sacred Heart Seminary and School of Theology was awarded a \$50,000 grant from the Lilly Endowment Inc.'s Pathways for Tomorrow Initiative. Funds contributed to a comprehensive strategic review in collaboration with Ministry Architects, who also wrote our \$1,000,000 grant application. Our new tag line "Specialized formation for a universal Church" captures the tailored programs we create for seminarians from a wide range of backgrounds, ages, ethnicities, and life experiences, as well as the programs we create to best prepare seminarians for the wide range of future ministries. The three main components include:

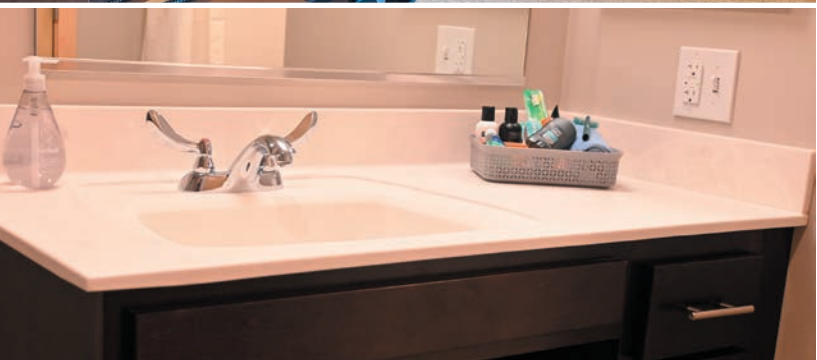
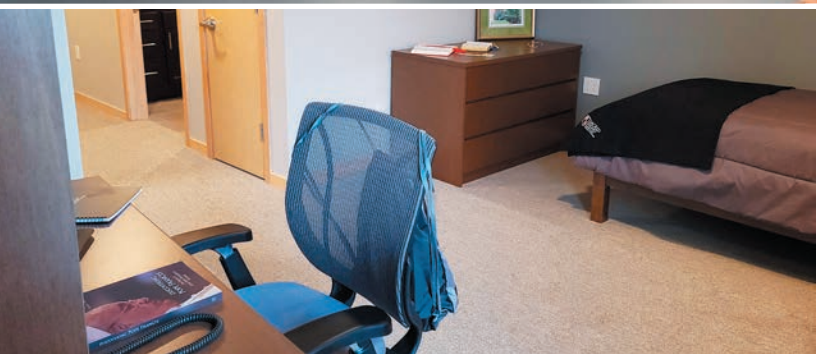
- 1 Affinity groups of seminarians** that will build a cohort feel, specialized experiences, and stronger support.
- 2 Annual toolboxes for clerical and lay ministers.** Initial funds helped to underwrite a Pastor's Toolbox for new priest pastors, in collaboration with the Archdiocese of Milwaukee and Leadership Roundtable. (See the article on page 6 for more information.)
- 3 Expansion of the successful Cor Unum Master's program for laity**, which uses a cohort model and provides spiritual and pastoral formation as well as academic. This program will be run in dioceses that do not have seminaries offering substantive formation programs for lay ministers.



Interacting with the vision:

The 2021 Rector's Day gathering brought Sacred Heart faculty and staff together on Monday, August 23, for presentations by Ministry Architects and group discussions led by the Very Rev. Raúl Gómez-Ruiz SDS, Ph.D.





Beginning with gratitude

Opening School Eucharist and Welcome Dinner

On Wednesday, September 1, Sacred Heart had its Fall 2021 Opening School Eucharist and dinner. The entire Sacred Heart community was able to gather with one another and celebrate the beginning of a new school year. The night was filled with joyful banter of new student introductions and conversation!

Renovated classrooms with new technology

Students from the Master of Divinity, Master of Arts, and English and Culture Studies programs enjoy the newly renovated classrooms with state-of-the-art technology and air purifying systems.

Sacred Heart Open House celebrates renovations

Sacred Heart Seminary and School of Theology, in collaboration with the Priests of the Sacred Heart Development office, hosted its first Open House on Sunday, September 12. The event was an opportunity to showcase the new renovations of the seminary as well as join together as a community. The Open House began with a welcome service in the Sacred Heart Chapel and was followed by self-guided tours.

Archdiocese of Milwaukee Vatican II Awards

Congratulations to faculty member Dr. John Gallam for receiving the Service in Education award and Cor Unum alumna Reine Assana for receiving the Service to Missions award.



Sacred Heart representatives attending ceremony (l-r):

Dr. John Gallam, Professor of Systematic Theology; Julie O'Connor, Acting Academic Dean; Reine Assana, Cor Unum M.A. Alumna; Shanedra Johnson, Cor Unum M.A. Alumna; Monica Missey, Cor Unum M.A. Alumna and Vice President of Institutional Advancement; Kenneth Anyanwu, seminarian for the Archdiocese of Milwaukee.

Reaching out with resources

Toolbox for New Priest Pastors

We are happy to collaborate with one of our sponsors, the Archdiocese of Milwaukee, to host a Toolbox for New Priest Pastors, facilitated by the faculty of Leadership Roundtable, at Sacred Heart Seminary and School of Theology from January 9-13 of 2022.

The toolbox is developed to help prepare new and soon to be priest pastors, with a variety of leadership skills.

The toolbox will start with dinner at Sacred Heart Seminary and School of Theology, at 5:00 p.m. on Sunday, January 9, 2022, and will be followed by an orientation session of the days and topics to follow.

There will be daily Eucharist, Morning and Evening Prayer, as well as a Holy Hour as a part of the schedule.

It is anticipated that the toolbox will conclude at noon on Thursday, January 13 with lunch.

The Archdiocese of Milwaukee, in conjunction with Sacred Heart Seminary and School of Theology, is offering an all-inclusive rate per participant of \$2,411 including lodging and meals at the Seminary or lodging at the Hampton Inn nearby. Transportation to the Seminary will be provided to shuttle participants who stay at the Hampton Inn. Sacred Heart Seminary has been awarded a grant and will be offering a \$500 per participant scholarship that will be applied to the participant rate making the net cost \$1,911 per participant. Travel costs will be the responsibility of the participant. The toolbox will be limited to 30 participants so please make your reservations soon.

For further questions and reservations, please contact Rich Harter of the Archdiocese of Milwaukee via email at harterr@archmil.org or call him directly at 414-758-2215.



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Inspiring hearts and minds

Day of Recollection

On Wednesday, September 15, our President-Rector, the Very Reverend Raúl Gómez-Ruiz SDS, Ph.D., provided two talks for Sacred Heart faculty, staff, and seminarians. The day revolved around prayer and reflection.

Pastoral Formation: Commissioning of Pastoral Placements for Three Seminarians

Congratulations to James “Luke” Fitzgerald, Jonathan Reitzel, and Ricardo Rivera Gutierrez SDS on being commissioned for pastoral placement! Pastoral placements play an important role in a seminarian’s formation.

James “Luke” Fitzgerald, seminarian for the Diocese of Belleville
Catholic Charities, Refugee & Immigration Services
Supervisors: Jessica Brandt & Claire Reuning

Jonathan Reitzel, seminarian for the Diocese of Hamilton
Open Door Café, Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist
Supervisor: Shanedra Johnson

Ricardo Rivera Gutierrez SDS, seminarian for the Society of the Divine Savior
St. Adalbert Parish
Supervisor: Fr. Mauricio B. Fernandez

2021 Fall Dehon Lecture

“The Sacred Heart and Divine Mercy: a comparison and contrast between these two streams of spirituality in the life of the Church” was the topic of the Dehon Lecture at Sacred Heart on September 29. The morning lecture by Dr. Robert Stackpole was followed with an afternoon response by David Schimmel, M.Div., M.A.

Ministry of Acolyte

During the 4:30 p.m. All-School Mass in the Sacred Heart Chapel on Wednesday October 20, His Excellency, the Most Reverend Michael Warfel, Bishop of Great Falls-Billings, instituted the following seminarians to the Ministry of Acolyte: James “Luke” Fitzgerald from the Diocese of Belleville and Matthew Solarz from the Diocese of Great Falls-Billings.

Celebrating interculturality

Mutli-Cultural Mass and Culture Fair

Clergy, religious, and lay students from around the globe in the English and Culture Studies (ECS) Program provided the entire the Sacred Heart community with two meaningful opportunities to experience their unique cultural heritage and Catholic ministries (*pictured opposite page*). First, on Wednesday, October 6, each of the ECS students took part in an all-school Multi-Cultural Mass filled with liturgical music, readings and prayers in their home languages. Then, on Friday, October 8, the ECS students filled the Main Dining Room to share displays, presentations, music, and cuisine from their home countries during the Culture Fair, for all on campus to enjoy.

Conferencia Hispana Católica



On Saturday, September 25, the Archdiocese of Milwaukee held a Conferencia Hispana Católica (Hispanic Catholic Conference). The topic of the conference was “Los Movimientos Eclesiales: Construyendo Puentes Evangelizadores” which translates in English to “Ecclesial Movements: Building Evangelizing Bridges”. Fr. José González, Sacred Heart’s Director of the Hispanic Ministry Preparation Program (*pictured left*), was one of the presenters of the conference. The other presenter was Andrés Arango,

Delegate of the Obispo for Hispanic Ministry and Director of Evangelization. Congratulations on a successful conference!

Ecumenical and Interreligious Dialogue



The Ecumenical and Interreligious Committee invited the Sacred Heart community to join a lunch presentation on Friday, September 17. Archdiocese of Milwaukee Auxiliary Bishop Emeritus Richard J. Sklba (*pictured left*) led a presentation entitled, “Ecumenism and Interreligious Dialogue: A Bishop’s Journey.”

Bishop Sklba’s dedication to the Church’s ecumenical and interreligious work has been deep and long. He has served as chair of the USCCB’s Committee for Ecumenical and Interreligious Affairs, participated in many projects with the mainline Protestant Churches, and attended countless meetings with Jewish scholars to promote interreligious understanding and cooperation.



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for Catholic-Jewish Studies
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